CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Government are aware of the report in the Times of India dated 15th December, 1987.

(b) The Government has considered the issues raised in the above report.

(c) The Commission of Sati (Prevention) Act 1987 has come into force with effect from 21st March, 1988 only. It is too early to consider introducing fresh legislation at this stage.

Appointment for the post of Constables in Railway Protection Force

2262. SHRI MAULANA ASAD MADNI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the number of persons belonging to minority community (Muslim) appointed to the posts of constables in R.P.F. during the period from January, 1987 to 31st December, 1988?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): 234 candidates belonging to muslim community have been appointed as Constables in the Railway Protection Force during this period.

Removal and Reinstatement of Director of Delhi Public Library

2263. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Director of Delhi Public Library was some time back removed from the post of Librarian Grade-I due to his inefficiency and incompetence but later on reinstated on mercy appeal;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the present Chairman of the Delhi Public Library concealed from the members of the Selection Committee and the Ministry the facts relating to his past service history at the time of his appointment to that post;

(c) if not, whether the Ministry was aware of the past conduct of the person at the time of his appointment; and

(d) whether a number of complaints have been received against the present Director concerning his incompetence, misbehaviour, misuse of power and corrupt practices, if so, whether these have been investigated and if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A few complaints were received from persons using fictitious names. However, these complaints were found to be baseless.

Agencies Engaged in Orissa for the Removal of Illiteracy

2264. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the voluntary agencies engaged in Orissa for the removal of illiteracy; and

(b) what steps have been taken by the Orissa Government for removing illiteracy in that State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) A list of Voluntary Organisations who are currently

implementing Adult Education Projects sanctioned during 1987-88 and 1988-89 by the Government of India in the State of Orissa, is enclosd. (*See* below)

(b) The Government of Orissa is running Adult Education Programme through 19 Rural Functional Literacy Projects; State Adult Education Projects and 28 Voluntary Agencies. In addition, the School and College students are being mobilised through Mass Programme of Functional Literacy and University Grants Commission aided Adult Education Programmes through Universities. Nehru Yuvak Kendra Sangathan has also undertaken Adult Education Programme in the *State*.

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Agencies Engaged in Orissa for the Removal of illiteracy during 1987-88 & 1988-89 with Financial assistance granted by the Government of India.

1. Anchalik Jana Kalyan Yubak Sangha At Dayanidhipur. P.O. Krishnachandrapur. Via: Balimi, Dt. Dhenkanal.
2. Arthik-o-Samajik-Hith-Ayog (ASHA) Mission House, Loisingh, Dt. Bolangir.
3. Bapuji Pathagar, P.O. Sukha, Block-Dungripali, Dt.-Bolangir.
4. Chakradhari Village Welfare Club, Village-Shiarimalia, Dt. Dhenkanal.
5. Chhatribaradayini Mahila Samiti, Basela, Dt. Dhenkanal.
6. Council of Cultural Growth and Cultural Relations, Maitresarani, Cuttack.
7. Dangaberai Mahila Samiti, At. Dangaberai, Dhenkanal Taluk & Dt.
8. Ganapati Yubak Sangha, Benupur, Dt. Cuttack.
9. Gram Mangal Pathagar, At|P.O. Salepali, Dt. Bolangir.
10. India Rural Reconstruction and Disaster, Response Service College Road, Gandhi Nagar, At/P.O. Rayagada, Dt. Koraput.
11. Jagannath Jubak Sangha Jailliadhera Dt. Bolangir.
12. Jagannath Jubak Sangha, At & P.O. Kandhakelgaon, Taluk Titagarh, Dt. Bolangir.
13. Jeypore Evangelical Lutheran Church, At|P.O. Kotpad (Koraput).
14. Juba Krushak Sangha, At Naupali, Via: Jarasingha, P.O. Uparjhar, Dt. Bolangir.
15. Juba Jyothi Yubak Sangha Post & Village Ghatipir, Odapada, Dt. Dhenkanal.
16. Kanyabeda Mahila Samiti, Kanyabeda Block, P.O. Kandasar, Banarpal, Dt. Dhenkanal.
17. Modern Youth Club, At Mahabir Chak, P.O. Jajpur, Dt. Cuttack.
18. Moon Light Club, At & P. O. Santhapur, Dt. Dhenkanal.
19. Netaji Yuvak Sangha, Goilbhad, Dt. Bolangir.
20. Netaji Jubak Sangha, Balipokhari, At & P.O. Paramanandapur, Dt. Balasore.
21. Nyscap(National Yuve Sansad for Community Action Programme) P. O. Motta, Block Kamakhya Nagar, Dt. Dhenkanal.
22. Pragati Pathagar, Nimakhandipentha P.O. Dt. Ganjam.
23. Radhakrishna Pathagar, P.O. Samara, Gudvella Block, Dt. Bolangir.
24. Ramjee Yuvak Sangha, Sadaipalli P.O. Dt. Bolangir.
25. Sarvodaya Samiti, Gandhinagar, Dt. Koraput.
26. Sambadika, At, Baseli Sahi, P.O. Puri Sadar Block, Dt. Puri.

27. The Divine Life Society, Bhanjanagar Branch, P.O. & Block Bhanjanagar, Dt. Ganjam.

28. VISWAS Khariar Road Nawapara Block, Kalahandi Dt.

Modification of Existing purchase policy by Kapurthala Rail Coach Factory

2265. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Punjab has urged the Minister of Railways to modify the existing procedures and purchase policy adopted by Kapurthala Rail Coach Factory; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the response of the Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Computerised Reservation System

2266. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Railway stations where computerised reservation system has been introduced;

(b) whether it is a fact that in some stations, only some trains have been brought under this scheme;

(c) whether there is any proposal to complete the whole system, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) whether there is also any proposal to introduce computerisation in more stations elsewhere in the country, if so, what are details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Four Railway stations already have computerised reservation systems. These are Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

(b) and (c) In the case of Madras, the system presently does not cover all trains, due to inadequacy of computer hardware. Additional hardware is under procurement and is expected to be installed by July 1989 when the remaining trains would also be covered.

(d) Work is in progress for providing computerised passenger reservation system in five cities, viz. Secunderabad, Lucknow, Bhopal, Bangalore and Ahmedabad. The following nine cities have also been included in the Works Programme for 1989-90:

Pune, Guwahati, Jaipur, Patna; Gorakhpur, Trivandrum, Jammu, Bhubaneswar and Cuttack.

Introduction of Shatabdi Express between Delhi and Jhansi

2267. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) when was the Shatabdi Express introduced between Delhi and Jhansi;

(b) as on date, what had been the total income generated by this train;

(c) what is the capacity of the train;

(d) what is its monthwise occupancy since it was introduced; and

(e) what are the reasons for which the Railways extended the train to Bhopal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) 10th July, 1988.

(b) Train-wise statistics are not maintained.

(c) 467 Chair Car seats.